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Amnesty.

Of all the brutal and cowardly outrages practised upon the section of the United States, known as the South, by the Congress of the United States, the dealing out of amnesty has probably been the most characteristic of Puritanic inability to entertain charity. Their hellish bitterness of soul and communistic hatred of gentle blood, impels them blindly to keep under the political ban of disfranchisement the men of our country, who previously to the war had shown their entire power to command the Southern people. Our people had entrusted their lives and property in the hands, of these our leaders and have ever since felt the brutal outrage that has been systematically perpetrated by the North upon these our representative men, and through them upon each one of us as an individual of a common people. In such treatment the North have displayed uncivilized venom and usinine—short sightedness. These men whom they forbid to lead are the very ones who know best how to lead our minds to a proper contemplation of the new phase of affairs and our confidence to a complete burial of past issues. They our leaders are held prostrate in the dust, alluded to with bitter denunciation and we forsooth are called upon to turn from them and join in this cry—all this for what! for the privilege of caucusing one out of three Radical votes. This is amnesty.

War Grumble.

Uncle Sam's demands upon John Bull's purse have caused the old gentleman to bristle up. We do not think there is much danger of war. If there is any chance however, we do not see why the South should grieve. In fact we ought rather to be indifferent spectators in any contest that would interrupt the system of brutal Legislation that the United States Congress has been peacefully brooding over since the war, together with its cowardly tyranny. If England be the contestant we need not be over anxious that her success in crippling Uncle Sam should be speedy, provided she does eventually succeed. We think however that England understands Uncle Sam as unusually insolent, expecting that the insult will be amended by a reduction of the cash demand on her purse.

In our desire to meet what we deemed the want of our community, by issuing THE TIMES as soon as possible, we did not delay until we had previously canvassed. We have relied on the aid of those to whom we send copies who can materially forward our enterprise by not only subscribing themselves, but also getting their friends and acquaintances to do so. The result has been encouraging to us. Keep on. Help us. Let them understand we are a live, honest Democratic journal—down on Southern Republicanism or Radical rascality.

It is with great regret that we notice in our Charleston Exchanges the death of one of her most popular and worthy citizens. In the death of Mr. F. J. Porcher, his friends have lost one of their most genial and popular companions; while for Charleston his loss cannot be supplied. A gentleman of rare business capacity, Mr. Porcher combined with his commercial knowledge and experience a keen sense and likely energy for the advancement of his City together with the exercise of much individual charity.

The Orangeburg District Survivors' Association.

This association held their anniversary, as appointed, on last Thursday, at the Presbyterian Church. The attendance was not nearly so large a one as the interest in so sacred a cause, which we think should be universally felt among our white population, ought to command.

The ceremonies were opened by the singing of the two first stanzas of Father Ryan's poem.

The Confederate Flag.

Take that banner down 'tis weary,
Round its staff, 'tis drooping dreary,
Furl it, hide it, let it rest,
For there's not a man to wave it,
For there's not a soul to love it,
In the blood that heroes gave it:
Furl it, hide it, let it rest.

Furl that banner, furl it sadly,
Once, six millions hailed it gladly,
And three hundred thousand madly
Swore it should forever wave,
Swore that freeman's sword should never
Hearts, like theirs entwined, discover,
That their flag should float forever
O'er their freedom or their grave.

Furl that banner, true 'tis gory,
But 'tis wreathed around with glory,
And 'twill live in song and story,
Though its folds are in the dust,
For its fame on brightest pages,
Sung by poets, penned by sages,
Shall go sounding down to ages;
Furl its folds, though now we must.

Colonel A. D. Goodwyn then set forth, in a few words, the purpose of holding an anniversary, and requested the Rev. Mr. Brown, pastor of the church, to ask God's blessing upon the meeting.

Prayer was followed by the singing of the following poem:

Ashes of Glory.

Fold up the gorgeous silken sun,
By bleeding martyrs' blood,
And heap the laurels it has won,
Above its place of rest.

No trumpet's note need harshly blare,
No drum funeral roll,
Nor trailing sables drape the bier
That frees a dauntless soul.

It lived with Lee, and decked his brow,
From fate's empyreal palm,
It sleeps the sleep of Jackson now,
As spotless and as calm.

It was outnumbered, not undone,
And they shall shuddering tell,
Who struck the blow, its latest gun
Flashed ruin as it fell.

Sleep in thine own historic night,
And be thy blazoned scroll
A warrior's banner takes its flight
To greet the warrior's soul.

Both these poems were well rendered by the choir, being sung to appropriately selected sacred airs.

Colonel Goodwyn again rising, introduced to the assemblage our fellow-townsmen, Mr. John A. Hamilton, the orator of the occasion. Mr. Hamilton's oration was eloquent, pithy and chaste; thoroughly imbued with the sentiment of the meeting, and being a writer of great ease and beauty, he seemed to feel warmly the sacredness of his position, and the fulness of Christian charity with which we should approach the graves of our dead heroes.

The choir then sang "Come Holy Spirit," a petition never out of place.

To Farmers.

Feeling that the prosperity of our County depends upon that of the farming community, we propose to devote more time, and more space in our paper, to the interests of our agricultural friends, than is usual in the county papers.

We invite the aid of farmers in carrying out our plans, which are to make the agricultural columns of the Times, a medium through which they can ask for and receive information from each other.

We earnestly ask the assistance of the members of the County Agricultural Society (the only body in our midst organized in the interests of the farmer); confident that we can be of service to them, if they will allow us.

By this we mean, that we hold ourselves ready, in this department of the paper, to represent the wants of the farmers of our county as they are presented to us, and to do all in our power to promote their welfare.

To carry out the above, we need the farmer's help. Send us original articles for publication, on matters touching the interests of agriculturists—whether in the form of queries, or in answer to one propounded by another, it matters not!

Only be sure to write, and thereby aid your society, yourselves, and lastly, this paper which aspires to be your organ.

We return our thanks to "Ruby Grey" and show our appreciation of her poems by publishing one of them. "The Charlie Rare" is too long for insertion in our column and we have to decline it. We hope the writer will favor us with her productions from time to time, and let his (or her) real name accompany the next contribution.

We thank our brethren of the press for the favor with which they have received the TIMES, and for their flattering notices of the same. We intend to deserve the compliments which we have received at the hands of our brethren.

"WHEN WAS IT?"—By the treaty of Washington the termination of the rebellion is fixed upon the 9th of April '65, when according to the recent decision of the Supreme Court, the war was not over until April 2, 1866. This is a very interesting question, though the war is not over yet, judging by Congressional policy.

Mr. Ashby writing to R. K. Scott says:

The Executive Chair has become an uneasy seat for knights of the wallet. Bullock of Georgia has fled—resolutions of impeachment are pending against Reed of Florida, and you have only saved yourself by a skilful issue of champagne, oysters, and cash, "on a certain Thursday night."

In speaking of the report of the Congressional Ku-Klux Committee, the Charleston Courier says:

First. That the increase of the public debt in South Carolina and the management of its finances were both "disastrous and degrading."

Second. That Governor Scott had sent such contradictory statements in reference to the financial condition of the State "that they can give but little, if any, weight to them."

Third. That the whole system of affairs in this State, whether financial or otherwise, is one simply of "knavery and corruption."

No language could be more plain, or declaration more clear and decisive. It is the judgment, after thorough examination, of the Republican members of Congress on the real condition of affairs in South Carolina as they exist. This report therefore justifies every allegation as to the enormous and wild expenditures, heavy taxation fraudulent increase of the public debt and spoliation of the Treasury which have been made.

PEDAGOGUE AND PRIMERS.—The Appropriation Bill for 1871-72 allots the enormous sum of \$3335,000 for educational expenses. To this must be added the poll-tax, which ought to realize \$160,000 more. This is far beyond what the State at this juncture, can afford to pay. Last year, the appropriation, outside of the poll-tax was \$229,000, and this is fully as much as the people can endure. We should be glad to see driving schools in every village and at every cross-road, but the Legislature should have some consideration for the taxpayers as well as for the uneducated poor. The people moreover are not satisfied that the school funds are judiciously expended, and they will certainly disapprove of any measure which increases the volume of taxation. If the Legislature, however, intends to retrench in others matters—in order to pay more pedagogues, and buy more primers, there will be far less cause for grumbling. At all events it is worth trying.

The Methodist of Tennessee have inaugurated a scheme for the establishment of a university upon pretty much the plan of that proposed by the Episcopalians before the war, and partially carried out.

LOCAL.

CONDUCTED BY F. P. BEARD.

Attention is called to sheriff's sales in another column.

The attention of our Town Council is respectfully called to the fact that the bridge in front of the building used by the Elliott I. H. & L. Company, is in a dilapidated condition.

Our delegates to the Philadelphia Radical Convention, it is said, propose to sell their support to Grant in consideration of his yielding certain offices to their nominees.

We have been requested to state that a meeting will be held to-morrow evening, at 8 o'clock, at Mrs. Glover's school room, for the purpose of organizing a division of the Sons of Temperance. Such an organization will, no doubt, effect great good in this community, and we wish it every success.

The knights of the proposed tournament which will be held here on the first of May, are requested to attend a meeting, at 10 o'clock A. M., next Saturday, (2d) at the engine hall of the Young America Fire Engine Company of this place.

We concede to the "News" a greater aptness in conducting its (the tail) end of the quip. Our error should have read "typographical." Our newness at the quill must be our excuse, while it gives to them the further advantage of longer years. Its inventive local shows a rough tongue.

With such superior combination on their part of tail, tongue and ears we naturally expect to be brayed at.

At the annual meeting of Survivors' Association of Orangeburg County, held on the 22d inst., the following officers were elected: Col. A. D. Goodwyn, President; Capt. J. A. Hamilton, Secretary; Samuel Dibble, Treasurer. The standing committees of last year were continued.

We understand that several accessions to the membership were made; and that great interest is being manifested in this sacred cause.

The anniversary of the Young America Fire Engine Company, passed off in a most satisfactory manner on last Wednesday. The programme was fully carried out in the afternoon, and in the evening the members of the Young America and Hook and Ladder, together with the invited guests, assembled at the engine hall, where a bountiful supply of the good things of this life were gathered together. We are sorry that our space this week will not allow a more extended and deserved notice at our hands. Suffice to say everybody had a good time, and went home well pleased with the pleasures of the day.

Although we were a little "behind time," we did full justice to ourselves.

On Monday last as the up train from Charleston was approaching the depot, the horses attached to Mr. Scovill's wagon which was passing on Railroad avenue at the time, took fright; and notwithstanding the exertions of the driver to maintain control over them, the wagon was precipitated into the gully within a few feet of the Railroad. The result was that one of the animals attached to the wagon was instantly killed, and the other slightly injured.

We think, if the Railroad company would cause a railing to be built along the road on Railroad avenue, such accidents would not happen.

ORANGEBURG AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.—The regular quarterly meeting of the society took place on Saturday, the 10th inst., but the attendance of the members was not such as the occasion called for.

The report of the Executive Committee on the plans of organizing the "Orangeburg Fair Association," was read and approved. (Of this, we have something to say in our next issue.) See election notice. A most interesting discussion then took place on the subject of "Home-made manures, and the best manner of preparing them." It was opened by two members, in practical essays, which, besides being admirable in themselves, served as a stimulus to a discussion of the subject by other members.

The spirit with which it was kept up, showed how important this matter was deemed by the farmers, and the practice of different members was listened to with great interest. The conclusion arrived at seemed to be as follows: That home-made manures should be the chief dependence of the farmer, and bought fertilizers only used as auxiliaries; that stock should be regularly stabled or penned (the former best,) and in addition to the litter used for bedding, it was deemed advisable to sprinkle land-plaster or some other absorbent of ammonia, to prevent its waste, which takes place chiefly when being hauled out to be spread; that litter, hauled directly from the woods to the land, would be of great benefit to the land, provided it was allowed time enough to decay; but that unrot-

ten litter spread thickly in furrow just before planting, had proved ruinous in some seasons.

The next regular meeting of the society takes place in May, at which time it is hoped the plan for holding the next Fair will be definitely settled.

OUR SOI-DISANT.—Senator Geo. W. Sturgeon, was yesterday arrested and held to bail on a charge of stealing \$400 of the county money, while acting in the capacity of Deputy Treasurer. The arrest was made by Trial Justice Augustus B. Knowlton, Esq., on complaint made by County Treasurer, Frank H. Greene, Esq.

We understand that Sturgeon left town last evening in search of bail or money enough to make up the deficiency. We entertain a presumptive hope that he was accompanied by a Deputy Sheriff.

ARRIVALS AT MEROY'S HOTEL.

H Meyers, Phila.; John L. Hoffmann, Damburg; P. J. A. Hains, Mt Pleasant; Capt Lee Davis, Frank P Beard, Columbia; Louis Deitz, J. W. Wals, — Owins, — Black, Charleston; Wm McMahon, John Bowman, Orangeburg; Chas M Olson, E Pullen, F Cain, Tenn.; P Dulin, N. C.; C W Carter, J M Bruce, Ky.; W C Fergus, Baltimore; J K White, Cola.; W D Mounty, Ky.

CONSIGNEES PER S. C. R. R.

G. H. Cornelison, Branch, Scott & Co., J. S. C. Hoffman, Judge Glover, Wm. Oakman, B. S. and P., Samuel Dibble, P. Mentzel, T. G. Glover, T. S. Week, J. A. Hamilton, T. B. Whaley, T. Cartmill, Briggman & Lewis, G. D. Gissendamer, G. C. Bair, Rev. W. Carson, M. N. Riley, M. Rich, S. Glover, E. J. Oliveros, W. Wilcox, M. McMaster.

LIST OF LETTERS REMAINING IN ORANGEBURG POST OFFICE TO FEBRUARY 27TH, 1872.

- B—Wm. Beckett, Eph C Bailey, Alonzo S Bailey,
- C—John H Clarke
- G—Samuel Golson, Robert Goole.
- H—C L Hook,
- J—Mrs E Jhaw, Miss Nancy Johnson, Mr John Jenkins.
- K—Miss Debe Kelly
- M—Miss Rhoda Manning.
- P—J N Pierson.
- R—Sarah Rutland, George Road col.
- S—Betsy Summers, Wilkes Sawyer, Goran Gausolter.
- W—Miss Charlotte Washington 2.
- Z—Jacob Zeiglar 2.

Persons calling for the above letters will please say they are advertised.

What the Press Says.

A Democratic paper, the Orangeburg "Times" appears on our table for the first time this week. It is a lively little sheet. James S. Heyward is the editor.

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THE ORANGEBURG TIMES.—This is the title of a new aspirant for public favor, the first of which we find among our exchanges. We cheerfully place it on our list and extend to its editors, Messrs. Jas. S. Heyward and F. P. Beard, the right hand of fellowship. May their course be crowned with success, and the "Times" become a power in the land.

[Newberry Herald.

THE ORANGEBURG TIMES.—We were exceedingly pleased to receive last week, the first number of a paper issued by Messrs. J. S. Heyward and F. P. Beard, under the above name. Mr. Heyward, the editor, in his salutatory, talks plainly but sensibly, and announces himself squarely on the Democratic platform. The "Times" promises well, and deserves a liberal support from the good people of Orangeburg.

We place it on our exchange list with pleasure.

[Marion Crescent.

We have received the first number of this well gotten up and sprightly little paper, and if its future issues be as creditable as the one before us, there can be no doubt of its success, if those who represent the intelligence and respectability of Orangeburg District will do their duty in giving it a liberal support and patronage. Such a paper is necessary to preserve and protect the good name of the taxpayers, property holders and men of worth of the District against the unjust and liberal attacks of Radical misrepresentation and hate. Every man and woman in the district able to raise \$2.00, who have and feel an interest in its character and welfare, should subscribe to the Times.

It is published at Orangeburg every Wednesday at \$2.00 per annum, by Messrs. Heyward & Beard. The mechanical and business department is conducted by Mr. Beard, and the editorial by Mr. Heyward, who, though new in journalism, shows in his address to the Orangeburg public, that he has no difficulty in putting his ideas on paper in a free, easy and forcible manner. We wish the enterprise every success.

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